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Annotations

1. Adoption of the agenda

In its decision 1993/207, the Economic and Social Council decided to establish the Commission on Sustainable Development as a functional commission of the Council with the functions as enumerated in paragraphs 3 to 5 of General Assembly resolution 47/191.

In its decision 1993/215, on procedural arrangements for the Commission on Sustainable Development, the Council decided that the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council should apply to the Commission, with supplementary arrangements for participation of and consultation with specialized agencies and participation of other intergovernmental

organizations, and representation of and consultation with non-governmental organizations.

The Commission is invited to adopt the agenda set out below.

2. Election of the Chairman and other members of the Bureau

In paragraph 11 of its resolution 47/191, the General Assembly recommended that at its organizational session, the Commission elect the officers of the Commission, namely, a chairman, three vice-chairmen and a rapporteur, one from each of the regional groups.

The Commission will need to constitute its Bureau accordingly.

3. Provisional agenda and organization of work of the Commission at its first substantive session

In paragraph 11 of its resolution 47/191, the General Assembly recommended at its organizational session, that the Commission decide on the agenda of its first substantive session.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on the provisional agenda and organization of work of the Commission at its first substantive session.

4. Outline of a multi-year thematic programme of work for the Commission

In paragraph 12 of its resolution 47/191, the General Assembly recommended that the Commission, at its first substantive session, adopt a multi-year thematic programme of its work that would provide a framework to assess progress achieved in the implementation of Agenda 21 and ensure an integrated approach to all of its environment and development components as well as linkages between sectoral and cross-sectoral issues; that programme could be of clusters that would integrate in an effective manner related sectoral and cross-sectoral components of Agenda 21 in such a way as to allow the Commission to review the progress of the implementation of the entire Agenda 21 by 1997. That programme of work could be adjusted, as the need arose, at subsequent sessions of the Commission. In paragraph 13 of the same resolution, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to submit his proposals for such a programme of work during the organizational session of the Commission.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the outline of a multi-year thematic programme of work for the Commission (E/CN.17/1993/2)

5. Other organizational issues

In paragraph 6 of its resolution 47/191, the General Assembly recommended, inter alia, that representation within the Commission be at a high level, including ministerial participation.

In paragraph 19 of the same resolution, the General Assembly recommended that the Commission actively interact with other intergovernmental United Nations bodies dealing with matters related to environment and development.

In paragraph 20 of the same resolution, the General Assembly emphasized that the ongoing restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields should take into account the organizational modalities for the Commission, with a view to optimizing its work and the work of other intergovernmental United Nations bodies dealing with matters related to environment and development.

Annex

MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
FOR 1993

	Term expires on 31 December
Algeria	1994
Angola	1993
Antigua and Barbuda	1995
Australia	1994
Austria	1994
Barbados	1993
Belarus	1993
Belgium	1995
Benin	1994
Bolivia	1995
Brazil	1994
Bulgaria	1993
Burkina Faso	1995
Canada	1993
Chile	1995
China	1995
Colombia	1994
Cuba	1994
Czech Republic	1994
Egypt	1994
France	1994
Gabon	1995
Germany	1995
Guinea	1993
Hungary	1994
Iceland	1995
India	1993
Indonesia	1995
Italy	1993
Japan	1993
Madagascar	1993
Malawi	1995
Malaysia	1993
Mexico	1993
Morocco	1993
Namibia	1995
Netherlands	1995
Nigeria	1994
Norway	1994
Pakistan	1995
Philippines	1994

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Poland	1995
Republic of Korea	1995
Russian Federation	1995
Singapore	1994
Sri Lanka	1994
Tunisia	1995
Turkey	1995
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1993
United States of America	1993
Uruguay	1995
Vanuatu	1994
Venezuela	1993